

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| APPLICANT: | William S. Adney et al. | } | EXAMINER: | Manjunath N. Rao |
| SERIAL NO.: | 09/917,384 | | ART UNIT: | 1652 |
| FILED: | July 28, 2001 | | CONFIRMATION NO.: | 9964 |
| TITLE: | Thermal Tolerant Exoglucanase From Acidothermus Cellulolyticus | | | |

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INTERVIEW STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE

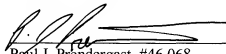
Sir:

In response to the Examiners February 13, 2007 Interview Summary, Applicants comment as follows:

Applicants submitted proposed claim amendments and Examiner kindly provided comments regarding percent homologies and new matter issues. Examiner indicated he was comfortable with recitation of 95% homology in the claims. Examiner also provided comments regarding dependency of claims 31-34 and minor issues with claims 1, 14, and 28.

Respectfully submitted,

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